

House Resolution 23 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 23

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1 A Resolution recognizing and honoring Dennis Pilcher
2 for his accomplishments and career in coaching
3 basketball and as athletic director of Iowa Central
4 Community College.

5 WHEREAS, Dennis Pilcher coached 51 seasons of
6 basketball, including 40 seasons at Iowa Central
7 Community College in Fort Dodge, Iowa, eight seasons
8 at Dyersburg State Community College in Dyersburg,
9 Tennessee, and three seasons at Fancy Farm High School
10 in Fancy Farm, Kentucky; and

11 WHEREAS, Pilcher is not only Iowa Central's longest
12 tenured coach, but he also served as Iowa Central's
13 athletic director from 1990 to 2010; and

14 WHEREAS, Pilcher has the 12th most victories
15 nationally all-time among junior college head coaches
16 with 856 wins (759 wins at Iowa Central); and

17 WHEREAS, Pilcher led Iowa Central to two National
18 Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA) tournament
19 appearances; and

20 WHEREAS, Pilcher has coached four first-team All
21 Americans, an honor recognizing exceptional basketball
22 players; and

23 WHEREAS, Pilcher is a two-time Region XI NJCAA
24 Division II Men's Basketball Coach of the Year; and

25 WHEREAS, in 2011, Pilcher was inducted into the
26 NJCAA Coaches Hall of Fame by his NJCAA coaching
27 peers; and

28 WHEREAS, as athletic director of Iowa Central,

1 Pilcher oversaw the athletic department grow from 10
2 programs in 1990 to 20 programs in 2010; and

3 WHEREAS, Pilcher's final two seasons as athletic
4 director yielded back-to-back National Association of
5 Two-Year College Athletic Administrator Cups, which
6 is awarded annually to the nation's top two-year
7 athletic department based on team finishes at national
8 tournaments; and

9 WHEREAS, on February 22, 2013, Iowa Central honored
10 Pilcher by dedicating and naming the basketball court
11 inside Hodges Fieldhouse, located on Iowa Central's
12 campus, the Dennis Pilcher Court; and

13 WHEREAS, in March of 2019, Pilcher officially
14 announced his retirement, ending a career spanning five
15 decades of coaching basketball and being involved in
16 college athletics; NOW THEREFORE,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
18 the House of Representatives recognizes and honors
19 Dennis Pilcher for his illustrious career of coaching
20 basketball and as athletic director of Iowa Central
21 Community College.